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For: SECRETED AND TRANSMEMBRANE POLYPEPTIDES AND NUCLEIC

ACIDS ENCODING THE SAME

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on September 20, 2005, in connection with the above-identified patent application (Paper No./Mail Date 20050913), please enter the following amendments and consider the following arguments. This response is timely filed requesting a Petition for Extension of Time for one-month with necessary fees.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page $\underline{3}$ of this paper.

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